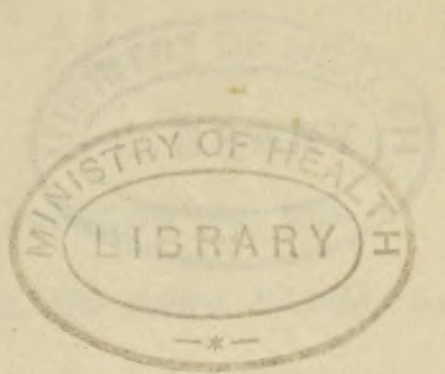


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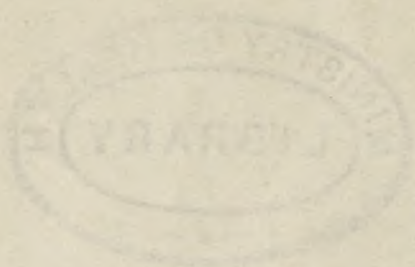
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The District is a detached portion of Worcestershire, surrounded by parts of Warwickshire and Gloucestershire, and comprises the parishes of Shipston-on-Stour, Tidmington, Blockley, Tredington and Alderminster. The total area is 18,446 statute acres, of which 55 are inland waters.

The census of 1921 was 4,308, a decrease of 403 from 1911. At the middle of 1925 the Registrar General estimates that the population was 4,286.

The District is entirely an agricultural one. The chief centres of population are at Blockley, which is becoming a health resort during the summer months and at Shipston-on-Stour where the usual businesses, courts, etc. of a small country town are carried on.

The causes of death were mostly degenerative diseases, the results of age. 32. or 35 per cent of the deaths were of persons over 65 years of age. Sixteen deaths were due to Arterio-Sclerosis and Heart Disease. Five to cancer,



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for the year

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Rural District of Shipston-on-Avon, and the

as to the information required to be given in these reports,

and details of the district, it will be found in the report giving

more details.

The District is a detached portion of Worcestershire,

surrounded by parts of Warwickshire and Gloucestershire, and

comprises the parishes of Shipston-on-Avon, Tiddington, Bickley

Tredington and Aldermaston. The total area is 16,440 statute

acres, of which 5,700 are inland waters.

The census of 1921 was 4,508, a decrease of 407 from 1911.

At the middle of 1925 the Registrar General estimated that the

population was 4,280.

The District is entirely an agricultural one. The chief

centres of population are at Bickley, which is becoming a really

resort during the summer months and at Shipston-on-Avon where

the usual businesses, courts, etc. of a small country town are

carried on.

Vital Statistics of the DistrictBirth Rate

The number of Births registered as belonging to the District was 73, of which 37 were males and 36 were females, and are equal to an Annual Birth Rate of 17.0 per 1,000 of the population as compared with 16.0 per 1,000 last year, and 17.4 in 1923. Six of the births were those of illegitimate children as against four last year.

Death Rate

The corrected number of deaths of "residents" was 68, of which 37 were males and 31 were females, and are equal to an Annual Death Rate of 16.0 per 1,000 of the population as against 14.2 per 1,000 last year, and 12.4 per 1,000 in 1923.

Infant Mortality

This year the number of deaths of Infants under a year old has been 7, 5 of them were males and 2 females, and equal to an Infant Mortality of 104 calculated per 1,000 births during the year.

The causes of these deaths were:-

Premature Birth 3: Influenza 1: Gastritis 2: and Whooping Cough 1.

The average Infant Mortality during the last five years has been about 70 per 1,000 births.

Death Rate from Zymotic Diseases

There have been 4 deaths due to Whooping Cough in different parts of the District. These are equal to a Death Rate from Zymotic Diseases of 0.9 per 1,000 of the population. Last year there was no death due to Zymotic Disease.

The causes of death were mostly degenerative diseases, the results of age. 38, or 56 per cent of the deaths were of persons over 65 years of age. Sixteen deaths were due to Arterio-Sclerosis and Heart Diseases. Five to cancer,

Birth Rate

The number of births registered as belonging to the District was 75, of which 57 were males and 18 were females, and are equal to an annual birth rate of 14.9 per 1,000 of the population as compared with 10.9 per 1,000 last year, and 17.4 in 1925. Six of the births were those of illegitimate children as against four last year.

Death Rate

The corrected number of deaths of "residents" was 68, of which 37 were males and 31 were females, and are equal to an annual death rate of 10.9 per 1,000 of the population as against 14.5 per 1,000 last year, and 13.4 per 1,000 in 1925.

Infant Mortality

This year the number of deaths of infants under a year of age has been 7, 5 of whom were males and 2 females, and equal to an infant mortality of 100 calculated per 1,000 births during the year.

The causes of these deaths were:-
Premature Birth 3; Infantile 1; Gastritis 2; and Whooping Cough 1.

The average infant mortality during the last five years has been about 70 per 1,000 births.

Death Rate from Typhoid Disease

There have been 4 deaths due to Whooping Cough in different parts of the District. These are equal to a death rate from Typhoid Disease of 0.9 per 1,000 of the population. Last year there was no death due to Typhoid Disease.

The causes of death were mostly degenerative diseases, the results of age. 58, or 56 per cent of the deaths were of persons over 65 years of age. Fifteen deaths were due to Arterio-Sclerosis and Heart Disease. Five to cancer,

two to suicide and 2 from violence. One death was recorded from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

Scarlet Fever

Six notifications of Scarlet Fever were received in 5 different families, and represent four different outbreaks of the disease. During May, one case occurred at Shipston, which was nursed at home. During August one case occurred at Alderminster, which was also nursed at home, the infection being probably brought into the District. In November a mother and son, at Shipston acquired the disease, they were removed to the Isolation Hospital. As also were two patients from different houses at Alderminster, who developed the disease and were admitted to the hospital on the last day of the year.

Enteric Fever

At Shipston during August, a soldier on leave, developed Paratyphoid Fever (B), having probably acquired the infection before coming into this District. He was nursed at home; no further cases of this disease occurred.

Encephalitis Lethargica

One case was reported from Aston Magna, a hamlet of Blockley. The patient recovered and no further case was notified.

Pneumonia

Three cases of pneumonia were notified during the year.

Tuberculosis

At the beginning of the year, there were 11 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 6 of other forms of Tuberculosis on the register, during the year 3 cases and one case after death were notified to me and one transfer case all of

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Hager's Fever

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Enteric Infection

One case was reported from Aston Magna, a hamlet of Hockley. The patient recovered and no further case was notified.

Pneumonia

Three cases of pneumonia were notified during the year.

Tuberculosis

At the beginning of the year, there were 11 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 5 of other forms of Tuberculosis on the register. During the year 5 cases and one case after death were notified to me and one transfer case all of

Pulmonary Tuberculosis and one case of non-pulmonary, making six in all. There was one death from pulmonary tuberculosis and one case was certified that the disease was arrested and another left the county, so that at the end of the year, there were 12 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis and 7 of other forms on the register.

The statistics of notifiable disease will be found in the Appendix.

Summary of Nursing Arrangements

Hospitals and other Institutions available for the District

The Isolation Hospital is at Shipston and is in conjunction with the Brilles and Campden Rural Districts and receives patients suffering from Scarlet Fever and requiring isolation from these Districts. There are also two huts which are kept in readiness to receive one or two cases of Small-pox in a few hours' notice.

The Badger Hospital at Shipston has got 16 beds available for general hospital treatment and also receives maternity cases from the surrounding Districts of Brilles and Shipston. Already quite a number of people are availing themselves of this accommodation.

Patients from the Blockley side of the District go to the Moreton-in-Marsh Cottage Hospital, where maternity cases are also taken in. Home nursing is carried out by a Voluntary Nursing Association at Blockley.

There are no child welfare centres nor day nurseries in the District.

Maternity cases are visited by the County Council Health visitor.

The Council own one shelter, which is in use at present at Newbold by a patient suffering from Tuberculosis there.

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Summary of Notable Accomplishments Hospitals and other institutions available for the

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Council Health Visitor.

The Council own one sanatorium, which is in use as

present at Newbold by a patient suffering from tuberculosis

there.

There is no institutional provisions for unmarried mothers, illegitimate infants or homeless children in the District except the Union Workhouse at Shipston-on-Stour.

There is an ambulance carriage for infectious cases kept at the Isolation Hospital.

Laboratory Work

Bacteriological examinations of sputum, etc. are made at the County Laboratories at Worcester and are made free of cost for poor patients and a store of Diphtheria Antitoxin, together with suitable syringes are kept at Shipston and ready for immediate use. A supply of Antitetanic serum is also kept at the Badger Hospital and is available in cases of urgency.

Sanitary Administration

The only adoptive Act in force in the District is the Public Health Amendment Act 1890, where all sections applicable to rural districts have been adopted.

In the accompanying table which has been prepared by the Sanitary Inspector under Article 20 (16) of the General Order 1910, gives the details of his work during the year.

From 747 inspections and observations made 132 informal notices were sent and 105 nuisances have been abated and 17 were still outstanding at the end of the year. It has only been necessary to ask the Council for one formal notice during the year.

Four samples of water were sent for Analysis, and all were passed as satisfactory for domestic use.

Slaughter Houses

There are 5 slaughter houses in the District which have been registered and examined and are all fairly well kept, and the conditions being complied with. In only one instance has informal notice had to be sent for limewashing.

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Shipston-on-Stour

Tabular Statement Sanitary Inspector's Department, 1925.

	Inspections & Observations	Informal Notices	Normal Notices	Abated	Not Abated
Need of Limewashing	43	22	-	20	2
Structural Defects	36	12	-	11	2
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unfit for Habitation	-	-	-	-	-
Dairies & Milkshops	28	3	-	3	-
Cowsheds	31	3	-	3	-
Bakehouses	10	1	-	1	-
Slaughterhouses	8	1	-	1	-
Ashpits & Privies	146	20	-	18	2
Deposits of Refuse & Manure	94	23	-	20	3
Water Closets	160	2	1	1	-
Defective Traps	16	12	-	9	3
No disconnections	3	2	-	2	-
Other faults	85	17	-	13	4
Water Supplies	51	-	-	-	-
Pigsties	36	6	-	5	1
Animals improperly kept	-	-	-	-	-
Offensive Trades	-	-	-	-	-
	747	132	1	105	17

No. of houses disinfected

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Samples of water taken for analysis

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Year	Number of cases	Number of deaths	Number of recoveries	Number of cases not reported	Total number of cases
1910	10	0	10	0	20
1911	15	0	15	0	30
1912	20	0	20	0	40
1913	25	0	25	0	50
1914	30	0	30	0	60
1915	35	0	35	0	70
1916	40	0	40	0	80
1917	45	0	45	0	90
1918	50	0	50	0	100
1919	55	0	55	0	110
1920	60	0	60	0	120
1921	65	0	65	0	130
1922	70	0	70	0	140
1923	75	0	75	0	150
1924	80	0	80	0	160
1925	85	0	85	0	170
1926	90	0	90	0	180
1927	95	0	95	0	190
1928	100	0	100	0	200
1929	105	0	105	0	210
1930	110	0	110	0	220
1931	115	0	115	0	230
1932	120	0	120	0	240
1933	125	0	125	0	250
1934	130	0	130	0	260
1935	135	0	135	0	270
1936	140	0	140	0	280
1937	145	0	145	0	290
1938	150	0	150	0	300
1939	155	0	155	0	310
1940	160	0	160	0	320
1941	165	0	165	0	330
1942	170	0	170	0	340
1943	175	0	175	0	350
1944	180	0	180	0	360
1945	185	0	185	0	370
1946	190	0	190	0	380
1947	195	0	195	0	390
1948	200	0	200	0	400
1949	205	0	205	0	410
1950	210	0	210	0	420
1951	215	0	215	0	430
1952	220	0	220	0	440
1953	225	0	225	0	450
1954	230	0	230	0	460
1955	235	0	235	0	470
1956	240	0	240	0	480
1957	245	0	245	0	490
1958	250	0	250	0	500
1959	255	0	255	0	510
1960	260	0	260	0	520
1961	265	0	265	0	530
1962	270	0	270	0	540
1963	275	0	275	0	550
1964	280	0	280	0	560
1965	285	0	285	0	570
1966	290	0	290	0	580
1967	295	0	295	0	590
1968	300	0	300	0	600
1969	305	0	305	0	610
1970	310	0	310	0	620
1971	315	0	315	0	630
1972	320	0	320	0	640
1973	325	0	325	0	650
1974	330	0	330	0	660
1975	335	0	335	0	670
1976	340	0	340	0	680
1977	345	0	345	0	690
1978	350	0	350	0	700
1979	355	0	355	0	710
1980	360	0	360	0	720
1981	365	0	365	0	730
1982	370	0	370	0	740
1983	375	0	375	0	750
1984	380	0	380	0	760
1985	385	0	385	0	770
1986	390	0	390	0	780
1987	395	0	395	0	790
1988	400	0	400	0	800
1989	405	0	405	0	810
1990	410	0	410	0	820
1991	415	0	415	0	830
1992	420	0	420	0	840
1993	425	0	425	0	850
1994	430	0	430	0	860
1995	435	0	435	0	870
1996	440	0	440	0	880
1997	445	0	445	0	890
1998	450	0	450	0	900
1999	455	0	455	0	910
2000	460	0	460	0	920
2001	465	0	465	0	930
2002	470	0	470	0	940
2003	475	0	475	0	950
2004	480	0	480	0	960
2005	485	0	485	0	970
2006	490	0	490	0	980
2007	495	0	495	0	990
2008	500	0	500	0	1000
2009	505	0	505	0	1010
2010	510	0	510	0	1020
2011	515	0	515	0	1030
2012	520	0	520	0	1040
2013	525	0	525	0	1050
2014	530	0	530	0	1060
2015	535	0	535	0	1070
2016	540	0	540	0	1080
2017	545	0	545	0	1090
2018	550	0	550	0	1100
2019	555	0	555	0	1110
2020	560	0	560	0	1120
2021	565	0	565	0	1130
2022	570	0	570	0	1140
2023	575	0	575	0	1150
2024	580	0	580	0	1160
2025	585	0	585	0	1170
2026	590	0	590	0	1180
2027	595	0	595	0	1190
2028	600	0	600	0	1200
2029	605	0	605	0	1210
2030	610	0	610	0	1220
2031	615	0	615	0	1230
2032	620	0	620	0	1240
2033	625	0	625	0	1250
2034	630	0	630	0	1260
2035	635	0	635	0	1270
2036	640	0	640	0	1280
2037	645	0	645	0	1290
2038	650	0	650	0	1300
2039	655	0	655	0	1310
2040	660	0	660	0	1320
2041	665	0	665	0	1330
2042	670	0	670	0	1340
2043	675	0	675	0	1350
2044	680	0	680	0	1360
2045	685	0	685	0	1370
2046	690	0	690	0	1380
2047	695	0	695	0	1390
2048	700	0	700	0	1400
2049	705	0	705	0	1410
2050	710	0	710	0	1420
2051	715	0	715	0	1430
2052	720	0	720	0	1440
2053	725	0	725	0	1450
2054	730	0	730	0	1460
2055	735	0	735	0	1470
2056	740	0	740	0	1480
2057	745	0	745	0	1490
2058	750	0	750	0	1500
2059	755	0	755	0	1510
2060	760	0	760	0	1520
2061	765	0	765	0	1530
2062	770	0	770	0	1540
2063	775	0	775	0	1550
2064	780	0	780	0	1560
2065	785	0	785	0	1570
2066	790	0	790	0	1580
2067	795	0	795	0	1590
2068	800	0	800	0	1600
2069	805	0	805	0	1610
2070	810	0	810	0	1620
2071	815	0	815	0	1630
2072	820	0	820	0	1640
2073	825	0	825	0	1650
2074	830	0	830	0	1660
2075	835	0	835	0	1670
2076	840	0	840	0	1680
2077	845	0	845	0	1690
2078	850	0	850	0	1700
2079	855	0	855	0	1710
2080	860	0	860	0	1720
2081	865	0	865	0	1730
2082	870	0	870	0	1740
2083	875	0	875	0	1750
2084	880	0	880	0	1760
2085	885	0	885	0	1770
2086	890	0	890	0	1780
2087	895	0	895	0	1790
2088	900	0	900	0	1800
2089	905	0	905	0	1810
2090	910	0	910	0	1820
2091	915	0	915	0	1830
2092	920	0	920	0	1840
2093	925	0	925	0	1850
2094	930	0	930	0	1860
2095	935	0	935	0	1870
2096	940	0	940	0	1880
2097	945	0	945	0	1890
2098	950	0	950	0	1900
2099	955	0	955	0	1910
2100	960	0	960	0	1920

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, 1910-1999.

Dairies & Cowsheds

There are now 33 on the Register, which have all been inspected, and 3 informal notices about limewashing have all been complied with.

A considerable quantity of milk is exported from the District, chiefly to London, through the Creameries at Moreton-in-Marsh.

The County Council carry out the Sale of Food and Drugs Act.

All the 12 Bakehouses in the District have also been examined. One informal notice was sent and the nuisance has been abated.

Water SuppliesShipston-on-Stour

The new works at the spring at Ebrington have now been completed and a new meter fixed there, and there now appears to be a plentiful supply of water at Shipston. An additional supply has also been given to the village of Henington in the Brilles Rural District. The hydrants and sluice valves have been rewashered and repacked as many had got corroded during the years they have been in use. The usual corrosion of connections were found in several cases and have been repaired.

Bleckley

The Council have had under consideration the scheme for a cistern with a reflux valve for keeping a supply of water at the highest point of the township and have now accepted a tender for the extension of the main and a tank to hold 5,000 gallons. I am sure when this is carried out, there will be a constant supply for these houses on the higher level; it will also be an assistance in case of fire.

CHAPTER I

The first thing I noticed when I stepped out of the car was the cold. It was a sharp contrast to the warm blanket I had been sitting under. I looked around, trying to get my bearings. The street was empty, the only sound being the distant hum of traffic. I felt a little disoriented, but I knew I had to find my way to the office. I started walking, following the direction of the traffic lights. After a few minutes, I saw a familiar building. It was the office building I had been told about. I walked up the steps and entered the building. The receptionist at the front desk looked at me and smiled. She told me that my office was on the third floor. I took the elevator and went up. I found my office at the end of a long hallway. I opened the door and looked inside. It was a small room, but it was mine. I felt a sense of accomplishment. I had made it.

CHAPTER II

THE FIRST DAY

The first day was a mix of excitement and nervousness. I had heard that the company was great, but I didn't know what to expect. I walked into the office and was greeted by my colleagues. They were friendly and welcoming. I was shown to my desk and given some papers to read. I felt a little overwhelmed, but I knew I had to get started. I looked at the papers and saw that they were all related to the new project I had been assigned. I felt a sense of responsibility. I knew I had to do my best. I started working on the project. I was given a lot of freedom, but I also had a lot of guidance. My supervisor was very helpful. He showed me the ropes and gave me some tips. I felt like I was part of a team. I was excited to start working on the project. I knew it was going to be a challenge, but I was ready for it. I was going to prove myself. I was going to show them that I was capable. I was going to make a name for myself. I was going to be successful.

CHAPTER III

The second day was a lot more challenging. I had to meet with my supervisor and discuss the progress of the project. I felt nervous, but I knew I had to be confident. I went into his office and sat down. He looked at me and smiled. He told me that I was doing well. He said that I was a quick learner and that I was very motivated. I felt a sense of relief. I knew I was on the right track. He gave me some feedback and told me that I was doing a great job. I felt like I was really getting into the project. I was starting to understand the company and the people. I was starting to feel like I was part of the team. I was starting to feel like I was making a difference. I was starting to feel like I was successful. I was starting to feel like I was home.

The water rents have also been revised, but have not as yet come into force. By the new arrangements, each property will be entitled to one water closet free of extra charge and the charge for baths will be reduced. From a sanitary point of view, this should be a benefit to the township, as it will encourage the conversion of old vault closets into water closets.

At Paxford, a hamlet in Blockley Parish, the water supply has worked without the introduction of roots into the mains. It would still I think be an improvement if iron pipes were substituted throughout the system.

At Draycott, another hamlet in Blockley parish, the water supply here is the joint property of the property owners in the village, and has been satisfactory during the year. The rest of the District is practically all supplied by wells.

Drainage & Sewers

Shipston-on-Stour

The Council have engaged Mr. White, Civil Engineer, Oxford, who has prepared plans for the extension of the existing sewers and the connecting of the house drains to the new sewers and also the overhauling of the pumping machinery and filters at the outfall works. Tenders have been accepted and the work is now being carried out. In several places where the old sewers became broken they have been repaired.

Blockley

The sewers and outfall works here have been satisfactory during the year.

At Paxford, where an old sewer culvert became broken, it has been rebuilt.

The various sewer ditches in the District have been cleaned out.

Scavenging

At Shipston-on-Stour the scavenging has been carried out satisfactorily during the year, and I am sure has been a benefit to the general health of the town. I still think that a scheme for the scavenging of the township of Blockley would be useful and a benefit to that part of the District. There are quite a number of houses there, built closely together, and without any proper means of disposing of the house refuse.

Factory & Workshop Act 1901.

There are now 59 Workshops on the Register. They are all small ones. They have been inspected as usual, no notices have been received from H. M. Inspector. I am not aware of any outworkers in the District.

Public Health Staff

This is the same as last year. The Sanitary Inspector has been allowed an increase of salary to provide clerical assistance.

Housing

All the 28 new houses erected under the Council Scheme have been in constant occupation during the year. The Council have no further schemes before them at present, but really more houses are needed in the District, especially at Shipston-on-Stour, and I hope the matter will soon be considered by the Council.

Several plans for the erection of houses have been passed for the subsidies from private individuals and four of these have actually been completed during the year. Two other houses have been erected privately.

CHAPTER I

The first part of the book is devoted to a general survey of the history of the world from the beginning of time to the present day. The author discusses the various theories of the origin of life and the development of the human race. He also touches upon the history of the earth and the changes in its surface over the centuries.

CHAPTER II

In this chapter the author deals with the history of the human mind. He traces the development of thought from the earliest times to the present day. He discusses the various schools of philosophy and the contributions of the great thinkers of the world.

CHAPTER III

The third chapter is devoted to the history of the human body. The author discusses the development of the human form and the changes in its structure over the centuries. He also touches upon the history of medicine and the progress of the various sciences.

CHAPTER IV

In the fourth chapter the author discusses the history of the human soul. He traces the development of the human spirit from the earliest times to the present day. He discusses the various theories of the soul and the contributions of the great thinkers of the world. He also touches upon the history of religion and the progress of the various sciences.

In the Appendix will be found the details of the number of defective houses dealt with during the year.

And in conclusion Gentlemen, may I be allowed to thank you all and the officials of the Council for all the kindness shown to me during the year.

I am,

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

George Findlay, M.A., M.B.

Medical Officer of Health.

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July 15th, 1926.

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Shipston-on-Stour Rural DistrictAppendix1925.General Statistics.

Area (acres)	18,446
Population (1921)	4,308 Census
No. of inhabited houses (1921)	1,138
Number of families or separate occupiers (1921)	1,147
Rateable value	£29,827
Sum represented by a penny rate	£83

Extracts from Vital Statistics of the Year

	Total	M.	F.	
Births (Legitimate)	67	32	35	Birth Rate 17.0
(Illegitimate)	6	5	1	

Deaths	68	37	31	Death Rate 16.0
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No. of Women dying in or in con- sequence of Childbed	(from Sepsis)	0
	(from other causes)	0

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age
per 1,000 births:-

Legitimate	104	Illegitimate	0	Total	104
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Deaths from Measles	(all ages)	None
" " Whooping Cough	(all ages)	4
" " Diarrhoea	(under 2 years)	2

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Notifiable Diseases During the Year.

Disease	Total cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Diphtheria	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever X	6	4	0
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)	1	0	0
Puerperal Fever	0	0	0
Pneumonia	3	0	1
Acute Anterior Poliomyelitis	0	0	0
Encephalitis Lethargica	1	0	0
Erysipelas	0	0	0
Diseases notified locally (none)	0	0	0
Tuberculosis:-			
Pulmonary (M.	1	0	0
(F.	2	0	1
(Total	3	0	0
(M.	0	0	0
Non-Pulmonary (F.	1	0	0
(Total	1	0	0

X. The ages of the patients suffering from Scarlet Fever were:-

Under 1 yr.	Under 2 yrs	Under 3 yrs	Under 4 yrs	Under 5 yrs	Under 10 yrs	Under 15 yrs	Under 20 yrs	Under 35 yrs	Under 45 yrs	Under 65 years upward
-	-	-	1	-	5	1	-	1	-	-

The notification of Tuberculosis cases is well carried out in the District.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Notified	Cases Treated		Vision unimpaired	Vision impaired	Total Blindness	Deaths
		At home	In Hospital				
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Property Name	Address	City	State
1	100	100	100
2	200	200	200
3	300	300	300
4	400	400	400
5	500	500	500
6	600	600	600
7	700	700	700
8	800	800	800
9	900	900	900
10	1000	1000	1000
11	1100	1100	1100
12	1200	1200	1200
13	1300	1300	1300
14	1400	1400	1400
15	1500	1500	1500
16	1600	1600	1600
17	1700	1700	1700
18	1800	1800	1800
19	1900	1900	1900
20	2000	2000	2000

1. The name of the property is 1000 1000 1000.

2. The address of the property is 1000 1000 1000.

3. The city of the property is 1000 1000 1000.

Property Name	Address	City	State
1	100	100	100
2	200	200	200
3	300	300	300
4	400	400	400
5	500	500	500
6	600	600	600
7	700	700	700
8	800	800	800
9	900	900	900
10	1000	1000	1000
11	1100	1100	1100
12	1200	1200	1200
13	1300	1300	1300
14	1400	1400	1400
15	1500	1500	1500
16	1600	1600	1600
17	1700	1700	1700
18	1800	1800	1800
19	1900	1900	1900
20	2000	2000	2000

Shipston-on-StourHousing

Number of houses erected during the year:-

- | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------------|-----|
| (a) | Total | 6 |
| (b) | As part of Municipal Housing Schemes | Nil |

Unfit Dwelling Houses

Inspection (1)	Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under P. H. or Housing Acts)	109
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| (2) | Number of dwelling houses which were inspected and recorded under Housing Regulations (1910) Section 17/18 Housing Town Planning Act | |
| (3) | Number of houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation | Nil |
| (4) | Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub heading) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation | 25 |

2. Remedy of defects without services of Formal Notices

	Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by L. A. or their Officers	14
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3. Action under Statutory Powers

(a) Proceedings under Sec. 28 of the Housing Town Planning Act 1919

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	Nil
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(2)	Number of ditto which were rendered fit	
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(a)	By Owners	Nil
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(b)	By L. A. in default of Owners	Nil
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(3)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders became operative in pursuance of declarations by Owners of intention to close	Nil
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(b) Proceedings under P. H. Acts

(1)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	13
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(2)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied:-	
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(a)	By Owners	27
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(b)	By L. A. in default of Owners	Nil
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(c)	Proceedings under Sections 17 & 18 of the Housing Town Planning Act 1909	
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| (1) | Number of representations made with a view to making of Closing Orders | Nil |
| (2) | Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made | Nil |
| (3) | Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the dwelling houses having been rendered fit | Nil |
| (4) | Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made | Nil |
| (5) | Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders | Nil |

- (1) Number of residential units with a view to making of closing orders
Nil
- (2) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which closing orders were made
Nil
- (3) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which closing orders were determined, the dwelling houses having been rendered fit
Nil
- (4) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made
Nil
- (5) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of demolition orders
Nil